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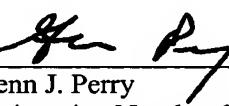
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Concise Explanation of Pertinency: **This publication is referred to in the specification. See page 3, line 7.**

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